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ORDINANCE NO. 2026-036

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN ANY AND ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS TO SECURE THE PURCHASE OF A BALLISTIC ARMORED TACTICAL TRANSPORT (B.A.T.T.) ARMORED RESCUE VEHICLE FOR THE CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT FROM THE ARMORED GROUP, 5221 N. SADDLE ROCK DRIVE, PHOENIX, ARIZONA 85018 FOR THE ESTIMATED PURCHASE PRICE OF \$381,140.00 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the City is in receipt of an Interoffice Memorandum from Police Chief Matthew Naegele to Mayor/Safety Director Christopher Hallum dated May 6, 2026 (**Exhibit A**), requesting approval to purchase a Ballistic Armored Tactical Transport Armored Rescue Vehicle for the estimated purchase price of three hundred eighty-one thousand one hundred forty dollars (\$381,140.00) from The Armored Group, 5221 N. Saddle Rock Drive, Phoenix, Arizona 85018; and

WHEREAS, because this purchase is in excess of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) and the City's purchasing procedures require purchases in such amount be made after completion of the public bidding process, Police Chief Naegele is requesting that this requirement be waived by Council due to it being a sole source purchase; and

WHEREAS, The Armored Group is the sole manufacturer, distributor, and authorized supplier of the B.A.T.T. platform, making this a sole source procurement due to the absence of any alternative vendors capable of meeting the required operational specifications.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLOUGHBY HILLS, COUNTY OF LAKE, STATE OF OHIO THAT:

SECTION 1. The Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to sign any and all necessary documents to secure the purchase of a Ballistic Armored Tactical Transport Armored Rescue Vehicle for the estimated purchase price of three hundred eighty-one thousand one hundred forty dollars (\$381,140.00) from The Armored Group, 5221 N. Saddle Rock Drive, Phoenix, Arizona 85018.

SECTION 2. All the actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this legislation were conducted in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were held in compliance with all legal requirements including Chapter 107 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Willoughby Hills.

SECTION 3. This Ordinance constitutes an emergency measure in that the same provides for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and welfare of the inhabitants of the City of Willoughby Hills, insofar as it provides for the usual and necessary daily operation of a municipal department, by providing the Police Department with equipment dedicated to enhancing school and public safety; wherefore, provided this Ordinance receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all members elected to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor, otherwise from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: 6-11-, 2026



Michael Kline
President of Council

Submitted to the Mayor for his approval

on this 15th day of June, 2026

Approved by the Mayor

June 15, 2026

ATTEST:



Nicholas Aiello
Clerk of Council



Christopher Hallum
Mayor